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FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application must be a nonprovisional application that is either:

(1) complete as defined by 37 C.E.R. 1.51(b); or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent; term provisions of 35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation in part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d); but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b):

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA: 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation divisional or continuation in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned:

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35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. 178(a).

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